### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS AUSTIN DIVISION

TEXAS STATE LULAC; VOTO LATINO,

Plaintiffs,

v.

BRUCE ELFANT, in his official capacity as the Travis County Tax Assessor-Collector; JACQUELYN CALLANEN, in her official capacity as the Bexar County Elections Administrator; ISABEL LONGORIA, in her official capacity as the Harris County Elections Administrator; YVONNE RAMÓN, in her official capacity as the Hidalgo County Elections Administrator; MICHAEL SCARPELLO, in his official capacity as the Dallas County Elections Administrator; LISA WISE, in her official capacity as the El Paso County Elections Administrator,

Defendants,

and

KEN PAXTON, in his official capacity as Attorney General of Texas; LUPE TORRES, in their official capacity as Medina County Election Administrator; TERRIE PENDLEY, in her official capacity as the Real County Tax-Assessor Collector,

Intervenor-Defendants.

Case No. 1:21-cv-00546-LY

# SUPPLEMENTAL APPENDIX TO PLAINTIFFS TEXAS STATE LULAC AND VOTO LATINO'S RESPONSE TO INTERVENOR-DEFENDANT KEN PAXTON'S MOTION FOR SUMMARY JUDGMENT

Under Local Rule CV-7(c)(1), Plaintiffs Texas State LULAC and Voto Latino submit this Supplemental Appendix to its Response to Intervenor-Defendant Ken Paxton's Motion for Summary Judgment, filed contemporaneously herewith.

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

On May 23, 2022, I electronically submitted the foregoing document with the clerk of court for the U.S. District Court, Western District of Texas, using the electronic case filing system of the court. I hereby certify that I have served all parties electronically or by another manner authorized by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 5(b)(2).

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      and
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official capacity as
Attorney General of
Texas, et al.,
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      Defendants.
      VIDEOTAPED RULE 30(b)(6) DEPOSITION OF
          INTERVENOR-DEFENDANT LUPE TORRES
            BY AND THROUGH ITS DESIGNEE
                 GUADALUPE TORRES
                   APRIL 8, 2022
                     1:04 P.M.
 REPORTED BY:
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            Q. Okay. So does that impose any
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     obligation on your office?
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            Α.
                  Yes.
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            Q. Okay. And so what do you have to
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     do when a voter attempts to register but they
     supply, as it says here, "a commercial post
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     office box or similar location" for their
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     address?
            A. So we would send that -- that voter
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     a notice of incomplete. They're not allowed
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     to -- to have a commercial post office box or a
     similar --
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            Q. Okay. And is -- I apologize for
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     interrupting you.
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                   I think you said that a voter is
     not allowed to have a commercial post office
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     box. Was there something else you were going to
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     say?
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                   Yeah, I was just basically -- you
            Α.
     know, or a similar location that does not
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     correspond to a residence.
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22
                  Okay. Is that -- is that something
            Q.
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     new that SB 1111 does, impose that post office
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     box requirement?
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                   MS. HUNKER: Objection, form.
                  MS. AL-FUHAID: Objection, form.
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                   THE WITNESS: No, I think that's --
            that's -- that I know of, I think that's
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            been a while. It's --
     BY MR. JONES:
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            Q. Okay.
                  It's been law for a while.
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            Α.
            Q. Okay. So I'm going to refer to
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     this as the "post office box provision." And
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     this is the last time I'm going to create a new
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     term for you to remember.
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            A. Okay.
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                  Is that okay?
            Q.
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                  I quess, yeah.
            Α.
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                   All right. So how does your office
            Q.
19
     determine whether a voter's residence address,
20
     referring to the address on the form, is a
     commercial post office box?
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                   Well, we usually -- we look it up
            Α.
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1 ORAL AND VIDEOCONFERENCE DEPOSITION OF

MS. MARIA TERESA KUMAR

APRIL 5, 2022

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ORAL AND VIDEOCONFERENCE DEPOSITION OF

MS. MARIA TERESA KUMAR, produced as a witness at the instance of the INTERVENOR-DEFENDANT, and duly sworn, was taken in the above-styled and numbered cause on APRIL 5, 2022, from 11:02 a.m. to 3:10 p.m., before Michelle Hartman, Certified Shorthand Reporter and

12 Registered Professional Reporter in and for the State of

Texas, reported by machine shorthand via Zoom

videoconference, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil

Procedure, the Emergency Orders regarding the COVID-19

State of Disaster, and the provisions stated on the

17 record or attached hereto.

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deadlines.
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               Q. But in the case of Texas, the scale of the
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    change was very large, and you also find it confusing
    and therefore more difficult to make the updates --
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               A. Correct.
                  -- is that correct?
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               Α.
                  Correct.
              Q. Now, you had talked about your goals
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    decreasing. I think you said 25 percent?
              A. Correct, for voter registration.
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              0.
                  For voter registration.
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                  Mm-hmm. Yeah.
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              A.
              Q. I'm guessing -- this is a similar question
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    I asked before, but into a different context. How much
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    of that 25 percent is a result of SB 1111?
              A. I'd say a large part of it because we have
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    to be able to retool and focus on college students in a
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    different way.
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               Q. Sorry, I was taking notes.
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                    And so would you say that you were
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    conducting the same voter education work in 2022 as you
22
    did in 2021, but the content was different?
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                   I would say it's -- it's very different.
               Α.
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                  It's very different?
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               A. Very different.
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Q. Are there any other documents that are not
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     listed that you can identify here with me today that
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     would substantiate your position?
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               A. Not that I'm aware of.
              Q. So during -- let me put this down --
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    during your description of these documents, as well as
    earlier in our conversation, you insinuated that the
 7
    SB 1111 was enacted in order to inhibit young voters; is
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    that correct?
              A. Yes, yes.
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                  And what is the basis for this belief?
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              A. The largest population, as far as I
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    understand, that have both temporary addresses and
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    temporary and home addresses that they cannot use is
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    college students. And as a result, we know if you look
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    at the forecast of how many people are going to turn 18
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    in Texas in the next -- just this in the last two years,
    it's not small. We're talking about close to nearly
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    three-quarter million. It's a big deal. Those are big
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    shifts.
                   And so, if you are creating legislation
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    that seems to be so surgical in trying to prevent equal
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    participation, it is very much at the heart of why we're
    contesting SB 1111. We know that over a quarter
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    million, close to 300,000, Latino youth alone are going
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to turn 18 by the midterm.
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                   We're doing our darndest trying to
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    explain things to them, but SB 1111 makes it harder
    because we can't tell them with a 100 percent guarantee
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    and certitude that if they register to vote on campus:
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    One, that they are not in violation of the law if they
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    register at because it is a temporary address. And if
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    they are to register to vote using their parents'
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    address that they are not afoul of the law because they
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    technically did not reside there when they actually
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    filled out that application.
              Q. So if I understood you correctly, it's the
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    impact that it -- that this law has on college students
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    to form the basis of your belief?
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              A. The potential impact, yes, the chilling
    effect and that we can't communicate freely with
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    certitude that they will not be in violation.
              Q. Okay. So the potential impact on college
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    students and young voters, that's the basis of your --
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              A. In our -- in our material ability to do
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    our work as well, right, so.
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              Q. And so you also made the insinuation that
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    the Texas Legislature enacted Senate Bill 1111 in order
    to inhibit Latino vote; is that correct?
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              A. Latino youth vote in particular and young
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people in general just --
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              Q. So is it -- let me see if I understand
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    this correctly --
              A. Reason I say that is that 75 percent of
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    Latinos voted for Biden in the last election that were
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    young voters versus, I believe, 51 percent of young
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    white voters voted. So it is --
              Q. So is it your contention that the bill was
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    targeted at Latino voters or your contention is that the
    bill was targeted at young voters, some of which just
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    happened to be Latino?
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              A. I would say that it was targeted at young
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    voters as whole, but in particular young Latino voters,
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    because they're by definition of their demographics, low
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    propensity voters. Many of them do not have a history
    of voting in the household.
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                   So our program where civic education we
    oftentimes have to speak to get them involved because
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    they don't have those conversations neither at school
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    nor in the household unlike white voters, who often do.
    So we try to create a culture of voting and awareness
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    for a constituency that does not have that, you know,
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    that knowledge and that built in understanding of how
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    things work with our democracy.
              O. And so the basis of this belief that is
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also the potential impact that this would have on
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    college students as well as the effect on your ability
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    to communicate, correct?
              A. Correct.
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               Q. I am going to pull up my next exhibit I've
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    already shared it in chat function.
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                    Do you see the document on your screen?
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               A. Yeah, yes.
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               Q.
                  All right. This is the House Journal
     specifically for Tuesday, May 25, 2021. Would you agree
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    with that description?
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                    (WHEREUPON, the document was marked for
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                    identification as Exhibit No. 7 and is
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                    attached hereto.)
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                  Mm-hmm. Yes.
               Α.
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                   So please scroll down.
               Q.
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                    You can see it says SB 1111 on third
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    reading, correct?
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               A. Yes.
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               Q. All right. Okay. I will present to you
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    that I cut out the extraneous pages so that this was
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    manageable. So this is not the entirety of the House
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    Journal for that day, but rather the portion that
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     specifically deals with SB 1111. So that's just to
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    clarify.
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that they have brought in an onslaught of 50 bills trying to chill the voter participation of an increase in an interest in -- in the process along party lines makes one wonder why? Texas, according to university studies, is already the hardest to-vote state with the most restrictions. I mean, dead last.

And then see an increase in participation despite all of those hurdles and to come up with a slew of legislation to try to prevent that, you know, that enfranchisement just seems to be at odds with the purpose of participation. And again, it falls on party lines. So there is definitely a chilling effect in this case among young people and particularly young Latinos. Again, we're expecting 800,000 Latinos to -- to come of age between the last election in 20 -- in 2024.

- Q. (BY MS. HUNKER) And so what evidence do you have a disparate impact on college students or on Latino voters?
- A. I think it's been my whole testimony.

  We've had to divert resources and retool them and we have to explain what is happening. I am not clear and I don't think it -- you know, my counsel couldn't firmly state either what is actually -- how someone can safely vote as a college student in the state of Texas now after this passage.